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In the Claims

The following listing of claims replaces all previous listings of claims.

- 1. through 16. (canceled)
- 17. (Currently Amended) A pneumatic projectile propulsion apparatus, comprising:
- a pressure canister for containing a supply of air for pneumatically propelling a projectile, comprising an exit tube through which a projectile is expelled, the exit tube having a length of at least 2.5 feet, the canister having a diameter of about 10 to 16 inches and a length of about 14-24 inches;
 - a hopper for supplying projectiles to the canister; and
 - a blower for supplying air to the canister,
- a cover that contains the blower for supplying air to the canister, the cover being disposed in the hopper, an outlet of the blower being in fluid communication with the canister;

wherein the blower is a single electric motor blower that operates on about 120 volts, draws less than 15 amps of current and has a maximum airflow of at least about 102.5 cfm, and the apparatus is capable of propelling a tennis ball or baseball at a speed of at least 90 mph.

- 18. (Canceled)
- 19. (Canceled)
- 20. (Canceled)
- 21. (Previously presented) A pneumatic projectile propulsion apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the exit tube has a length of at least 4 feet.
 - 22. through 24. (Canceled)

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25. (New) A pneumatic projectile propulsion apparatus, comprising:

a pressure canister for containing a supply of air for pneumatically propelling a projectile, comprising an exit tube through which a projectile is expelled, the exit tube having a length of at least 2.5 feet, the canister having a diameter of about 10 to 16 inches and a length of about 14-24 inches;

- a hopper for supplying projectiles to the canister; and
- a blower for supplying air to the canister,
- a cover that contains the blower for supplying air to the canister, the canister being carried by the cover and the hopper being carried by the canister;

wherein the blower is a single electric motor blower that operates on about 120 volts, draws less than 15 amps of current and has a maximum airflow of at least about 102.5 cfm, and the apparatus is capable of propelling a tennis ball or baseball at a speed of at least 90 mph.

26. (New) A pneumatic projectile propulsion apparatus according to claim 25, wherein the exit tube has a length of at least 4 feet.